

JOB DESCRIPTION

City of Patterson



Human Resources

GRAFFITI ABATEMENT TECHNICIAN

JOB SUMMARY

*Class specifications are intended to present a descriptive list of the range of duties performed by employees in the class. Specifications are **not** intended to reflect all duties performed within the job.*

Under general supervision from the Director of Community Development, the Graffiti Abatement Technician performs responsible field inspections to identify the need for graffiti abatement in the community; responds to requests for graffiti removal from citizens and other departments; documents and photographs the scene of the graffiti and contacts the owner, manager or tenants of the property to explain the graffiti abatement program, ordinances, responsibilities and fines; and performs routine to skilled physical work, using a variety of methods to remove the graffiti and restore the site; establishes and maintains basic records on investigations, responses to complaints and the work performed; may direct the work of less experience workers on large graffiti abatement projects; and performs related work as required or assigned..

SUPERVISION RECEIVED AND EXERCISED

Receives general supervision from the Director of Community Development.

This position does not routinely supervise others, but may provide lead direction to less experienced staff on large graffiti abatement projects.

ESSENTIAL DUTIES

Typical essential duties may include, but are not limited to, the following:

Conducts daily tours of the community to identify sites requiring graffiti abatement; photographs the site and documents the location.

Independently responds to requests for graffiti removal from citizens and/or other City departments.

Contacts the owner, manager, or tenants of the property to explain the City's graffiti abatement program, ordinance, owner responsibilities and fines.

Removes graffiti by washing, water blasting, painting, or other methods, including the use of graffiti removal chemicals

Tapes, primes and/or texturizes walls and other surfaces in preparation for brush or spray painting; mixes paints and matches colors.

Operates power washer, airless paint sprayer or uses a paint brush to apply paint to surfaces.

Troubleshoots and performs basic repair, maintenance, and calibration of paint equipment.

Handles and transports petroleum based hazardous material to temporary HAZMAT storage site after identification and testing by the Fire Department.

Observes safe work methods and safety practices related to the work; cones and flags work sites to secure from traffic and uses appropriate safety equipment.

Operates assigned vehicle skillfully and safely, observing safe driving practices.

Operates and maintains a variety of work-related hand and power tools and equipment.

Maintains basic records of investigations conducted, work requests received, and work performed.

May direct the work of others on designated graffiti abatement projects.

Responds to emergency situations in off-hours as required.

Performs related work as required and/or assigned.

KNOWLEDGE, SKILLS, AND ABILITIES

Knowledge of: Procedures and techniques for dealing with the public in a tactful but firm manner; methods for establishing and maintaining effective working relations with the public, sometimes in adverse conditions; techniques, materials, tools, and equipment used in the removal of graffiti and the repair and painting of a variety of surfaces; safe operation and maintenance of a wide variety of hand and power tools and equipment common to the field; safe work methods and safety regulations pertaining to the work; and safe handling and transportation of petroleum based hazardous materials.

Ability to: Exercise independent judgment and initiative without close supervision; understand and follow oral and written instructions; perform heavy physical labor to remove graffiti using water blasting and other graffiti removal methods, including chemical removal; work effectively and efficiently under stressful situations and with minimal supervision; safely operate and maintain a variety of hand and power tools and equipment used in the work; properly place cones, barricades and warning devices as needed to direct traffic flow at job sites; communicate clearly and concisely, both orally and in writing; and establish positive working relationship with those contacted in the course of work.

NECESSARY SPECIAL REQUIREMENTS

Must be 18 years of age or older.

Must successfully pass a pre-employment medical examination, including a drug screen, fingerprint, background check and reference check.

Must be able to provide proof of U.S. citizenship or legal right to work in the United States.

EXPERIENCE and CERTIFICATIONS

Any combination of education, training and experience that would likely provide the required

knowledge, skills, and abilities: Normally this would include:

Education: Must have a High School Diploma or GED equivalent.

Experience: Two (2) years of experience operating painting equipment or water blasting equipment and handling graffiti removal chemicals.

License or Certificate: Possession of a valid California Class C driver's license.

MENTAL AND PHYSICAL REQUIREMENTS

Mental Requirements: The mental demands described here are representative of those that must be met to successfully perform the essential functions of this job: While performing the duties of this job, the employee is regularly required to exercise independent judgment and initiative without close supervision; work effectively and efficiently under stressful situations; use tact and diplomacy to establish and maintain effective working relations with the public, frequently under adverse conditions.

Physical Requirements: Frequently required to stoop, kneel, crouch, walk and maintain balance on slippery surfaces; occasionally required to sit for extended periods of time; use upper extremities to exert steady force, or to draw, drag, haul or tug objects; use finger dexterity to pinch objects or to type; grasp objects with hands; and to perceive attributes of objects by touch; and required to reach, push, pull, lift and/or carry weights of 20 pounds or less on a daily basis.

Environmental Conditions: Work is regularly performed in a field environment in various weather conditions and subject to noise, chemicals, odors, vibrations, in hazardous areas, on slippery, uneven surfaces and in/around moving machinery.

FLSA Status: Non-Exempt

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